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FRIDAY NOVEMBER 10, 2006 AT 1.30 P.M.

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Questions for Oral Answer

***Question No. 1 to the Honourable Minister National Security**

(By the Member for Pointe-a-Pierre)

Could the Minister indicate:

- (a) the individual cost of each Airship used over the past four (4) years;
- (b) who supplied the airship; and
- (c) whether the contract to purchase the Airships were subject to open tender, and if not, how were they procured?

* Question No. 1 was deferred for two (2) weeks on 27.10.2006.

***Question No. 5 to the Honourable Minister of Sport and Youth Affairs**

(By the Member for Chaguanas)

- (A) With regards to the Brian Lara Stadium, could the Minister advise:
- (i) the status of work being completed;
 - (ii) the expected completion date; and
 - (iii) the cost overruns to date.
- (B) Could the Minister state what would the stadium be used for in relation to Cricket World Cup 2007?

REQUESTS FOR LEAVE TO MOVE THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE HOUSE ON DEFINITE MATTERS OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

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MOTIONS RELATING TO THE BUSINESS OR SITTINGS OF THE HOUSE AND MOVED BY A MINISTER OR PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY

PUBLIC BUSINESS

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

Bills Second Reading:

1. A Bill entitled "An Act to provide for the establishment and management of the Heritage and Stabilisation Fund and for matters related thereto".

(By the Minister in the Ministry of Finance)

PRIVATE BUSINESS

Motions:

1. **The debate on the following motion which was in progress when the House was adjourned on Friday October 27, 2006 will be resumed:**

WHEREAS it is acknowledged that political parties play a vital role in the functioning of democratic government;

* Question No. 5 was deferred for two (2) weeks on 27.10.2006.

AND WHEREAS there is at present no legislative framework regarding the registration of political parties or the disclosure, by political parties, of contributions made to them by individuals or corporations;

AND WHEREAS the financing of political parties is an issue of major public concern;

BE IT RESOLVED that the House do appoint a Special Select Committee to make recommendations as to what principles and systems of financing of political parties would be appropriate in the public interest.

(By the Member for Caroni East)

2. **WHEREAS** the IADB funded Scarborough Hospital Project is a vital part of the Health infrastructure of Tobago;

AND WHEREAS the construction of the One Hundred (100) Bed Hospital was contracted to NHIC for the sum of TT \$135 Million;

AND WHEREAS this project has become entangled in allegations of conflict of interest, corruption and massive cost overruns;

AND WHEREAS the project is incomplete and there is no construction work taking place and no resumption in sight;

AND WHEREAS this delay in the delivery of the Scarborough Hospital is causing severe hardship and suffering to the people of Tobago;

AND WHEREAS the Government has been silent on the progress or lack thereof of this project;

BE IT RESOLVED that this House do condemn the Government for its failure to act in the public interest with respect to the construction and delivery of the Scarborough Hospital.

(By the Member for Caroni East)

3. **WHEREAS** the Government has taken the unprecedented decision to close down the operations of BWIA and in the process retrenched, through VSEP, hundreds of BWIA workers as at December 31, 2006;

AND WHEREAS the Government in the mid-1990's initiated a failed policy of the privatization and sell-out of BWIA to Edward Acker;

AND WHEREAS air transport is crucial and vital to the economic and social interest of the people of Trinidad and Tobago, and by extension, the people of the region;

AND WHEREAS it is the intention of the Government to seek private sector participation on a national and regional basis in the ownership of the new airline;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Government provide to the Parliament a detailed account, explanation and rationale for its decision to close down the operations of BWIA as at December 31, 2006.

(By the Member for Nariva)

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Clerk of the House*

*House of Representatives' Secretariat
The Red House
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QUESTION FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

Question No. 14 to the Honourable of National Security

(By the Member for Pointe-a-Pierre)

In relation to the funds paid to the Centre for Criminology and Criminal Justice at the University of the West Indies since 2002, can the Minister provide a breakdown of the amounts disbursed and to whom?

Answer due by 18.11.2006

November 06, 2006